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Wing pauses to remember lost leader



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Changes seen, continue on horizon

By Col. Richard R. Moss 302nd Airlift Wing commander

ast month was a sad time when we had a memorial service for Lt. Col. Scotty Carr. Scotty was a long-time member of the 731st Airlift Squadron. His contributions to the success of the flying squadron and the wing will always be remembered. Scotty was the type of leader we should all try to emulate-a quiet leader who led by example in both his personal and professional life. No matter what was asked of him, he always came through. He will be truly missed for his dedication, humor and service to the wing and his country. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his family.

This summer too will be a time of change and transition in the wing. Col. Wes Langland, the current operations group commander, is set to retire in July. Col. Steven Kett, the mission support group commander, will also be departing. In July he's leaving to attend the Industrial College of the Armed Forces. Both of these individuals have provided the leadership that has driven the impetus for the wing to continue to excel. Their contributions will be missed. I wish them both the best in their future endeavors.

The last change, and hopefully not least, I will be reassigned in July to become the wing commander of the 403nd Airlift Wing, Kessler Air Force Base, Miss.

My time at the 302nd Airlift Wing has been extremely rewarding and enjoyable. I have had the pleasure of being the commander of an outstanding unit with outstanding personnel—a unit that has a history of achieving anything that it is asked to do. I will truly miss this unit. However, it is time to move on to new challenges.

Your new commander, Brig. Gen. Bill Kane, is an outstanding individual who I have known for years. General Kane has been the wing commander of two different wings, the 908th Airlift Wing, Maxwell AFB, Ala., and the 94th Airlift Wing, Dobbins ARB, Ga. He has vast experience, tremendous knowledge and great leadership ability. He will be a great commander who will ensure this wing continues to set the standard of excellence we have shown throughout the years.

Finally, as we start the summer months and enjoy the great Colorado outdoors, please remember to incorporate safety in everything you and your family do, both on the job and in your leisure activities. Do not let a lapse of safety considerations cause an accident where you or a member of your family are hurt. You are too important to this wing and the nation.

It can all end up in smoke

By Chalain (Capt.) Tim Wilson 302nd Airlift Wing Chaplains Office

Ten years after the 49ers scoured the California country side for that soft yellow metal, there was another gold rush, this time in Pennsylvania. No the search was not for those shiny nuggets but for black gold, "oil, that is."

It was grimy, dangerous work but it didn't matter. Men were obsessed with drilling deep into the earth for that hidden greasy treasure. When they came up dry, their edgy anticipation drove them on to the next hole or with dirty hands and empty pockets they simply went broke. Hitting the gush meant instant incredible wealth. Fortunes were made and just as quickly lost. No one went from boom to bust faster than the entrepreneur driller, Henry R. Rouse.

See Henry Pg. 6

Command chief welcomes AFRC supplement to new fitness program

By Chief Master Sgt. Bobbie Smith 302nd Airlift Wing command chief

During our last 302nd Airlift Wing Chief's Group meeting we discussed the impact the new fitness program will have

upon our wing. Many topics flew about the room as we tried to predict how this program would be accepted by our wing members.

Our consensus was that
our wing members are the
best at what they do and
whatever is demanded of them.
This latest program is another
requirement asked of us and we will
accomplish that tasking with the level of
success and determination we display

daily and during ORIs and worldwide deployments. We are quite proud of how good our teammates are in this wing!

The Air Force Reserve Command Instruction Supplement delineates the responsibilities of each Airman and

> their chain of command. Moreover, it gives consistent and standardized options to

commanders as to the steps to take with members who do poorly or fail the fitness assessment. Some of those differences are:

■ For those who live at altitudes less than 2400 feet, the AFRCI gives them the option of performing the three mile walk as opposed to the

1.5 mile run.

■ Members failing the fitness assessment by scoring less than a 70 percent won't be retested for six months.

There are other differences between this supplement and the Air Force instruction but these have the greatest impact upon us.

Let's focus on what's really important here though—YOU! What good is it to have a lower retirement age, better retirement benefits, etc., if you aren't around to enjoy them? Our quality of life is very important, whether before retirement or afterwards. Let's take care of ourselves now and get healthier. We will reap the wonderful rewards for a lifetime for just a few hours of work now. Heck of an investment, wouldn't you say?

Bosslifts help get employers on Reserve team

By 2nd Lt. Lance Patterson *Air Force Reserve Command Public Affairs*

OBINSAIRFORCE BASE, Ga.-Does your boss understand why you serve in the Air Force Reserve – attending unit training assemblies, going on annual training and deploying when called or asked?

If not, your boss might need a Bosslift on a military aircraft. The Air Force Reserve Command program is designed to cultivate and maintain support for military service by educating employers about AFRC units, the Air Force and the command.

"Bosslifts are a by-product of training," said Charles D. Jones, public affairs airlift and environmental coordinator at Headquarters AirForce Reserve Command. "The AFRC has a significant presence in 39 states, and all of the passenger-capable airplanes at our various units are able to support Bosslifts."

The Bosslift program is designed for employers statewide who hire reservists. It seeks to educate and familiarize these employers by enabling them to

see military training exercises, tour installations and learn about the military and its mission. Bosslifts vary in length, but usually are three-day events visiting two or more installa-

two or more installations.

"At the local level, units are encouraged to sponsor employer support programs that may or may not include

an orientation flight," said Mr. Jones. "Bosslifts and orientation flights are often confused with each other. During orientation flights, employers see only military activities at a single location and the flight is completed in a single day."

"Saluting America's employers is the right thing to do, and this is the right time to do it," said Bob Hollingsworth, executive director at the Employer Support for the Guard and Reserve, a Defense Department agency. "During this time of unprecedented mobilizations of the brave men and women who serve in the National Guard and Reserve, the mission of ESGR has evolved from an emphasis on individual reservists to their employers."

The ESGR National Employer Outreach Program for 2004 will institute a new five-star employer support program this year in about 100 cities. A projected

The 302nd Airlift Wing is hosting their Employer Appreciation Day June 5. To get more information on how to nominate an employer, call the 302nd Airlift Wing Public Affairs at 556-4117.

10,000 employers in all 48 contiguous states will be asked to sign a statement of support for the Guard and Reserve.

Additionally, Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve will conduct symposiums to help employers ensure that their companies are in compliance with laws providing job protections for guardsmen and reservists. The seminars will also provide suggestions for managing employees who serve in the Guard and Reserve.

One feature of the program will be a five-race NASCAR Busch Series salute to Guard and Reserve employers. ESGR and Richard Childress Racing are putting together a "dream team" of NASCAR's biggest stars for the series.

The ESGR No. 29 car will be painted in a rotating paint scheme at each race to represent all reserve components, and a NASCAR show car, known as

"America's car," will be displayed at Chamber of Commerce functions to commend Guard and Reserve employers. The public will get the opportunity to be photo-

graphed with the car and to sign large "Support our Troops" banners

Officials said the goal is to collect 1.2 million signatures, one for every member of the National Guard and Reserve, and to display the banners in Iraq, Afghanistan and elsewhere in the United States and overseas.

To make the Air Force mission a success, reservists go "above and beyond" the commitments of civilian life. Known as "Citizen Airmen," Air Force reservists play an integral role in America's defense and are vital to the effectiveness of its military in combat. Reservists balance the demands of their military service with those of their families and civilian employers. (AFRC News Service and ESGR)

Reserve commanders to move this summer

ROBINS AIR FORCE BASE, Ga.—The following moves are scheduled to take place in Air Force Reserve Command in June:

Brig. Gen. Hanferd J. Moen Jr., from 445th AW commander at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio, to special assistant to the commander of Air Force Reserve Command, Pentagon;

Brig. Gen. Michael F. Gjede from 910th AW commander at Youngstown Air Reserve Station, Ohio, to retirement;

Brig. Gen. William P. Kane from 94th Airlift Wing commander, Dobbins Air Reserve Base, Ga., to 302nd AW commander, Peterson AFB, Colo.:

Col. Richard R. Moss from 302nd AW

commander, Peterson AFB, to 403rd Wing commander, Keesler AFB;

Col. John C. Fobian from 940th Air Refueling Wing commander at Beale AFB, Calif., to commander of Lackland's 433rd AW;

Col. Bruce E. Davis from 512th AW commander at Dover AFB, Del., to commander of Wright-Patterson's 445th AW;

Col. Ronald A. Rutland from 916th ARW commander at Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C., to commander of Dover's 512th AW;

Col. Timothy J. Thomson from 913th AW commander at Willow Grove ARS, PA., to commander of Youngstown's 910th AW;

Col. Donald E. Fletcher Jr. from 413th

Flight Test Group commander at Robins AFB to commander of Scott's 932nd AW;

Col. James L. Kerr from 513th Air Control Group commander at Tinker AFB, Okla., to commander of Beale's 940th ARW;

Col. Steven J. Chapman from 910th Operations Group at Youngstown ARS to commander of Willow Grove's 913th AW;

Col. Paul J. Sykes from 315th OG commander at Charleston AFB, S.C., to commander of Seymour Johnson's 916th ARW;

Col. Gregory A. Phillips from 507th OG commander at Tinker AFB to commander of Tinker's 513th ACG; and

Lt. Col. Philip J. Neely, a colonel selectee, from 10th Flight Test Squadron at Tinker AFB to commander of Robins' 413th FTG.

AF Reserve begins fitness testing

By 2nd Lt. Lance Patterson
Air Force Reserve Command Public Affairs

ROBINSAIRFORCEBASE, Ga.-Nofooling, Air Force reservists across the country are under the new Air Force fitness testing standards April 1.

Previously, the Air Force measured heightbased weight restrictions and tested reservist's aerobic health through a threemile walk. The new Air Force-wide fitness standards include a waist measurement as well as push-ups, crunches and a 1.5-mile run.

"Our emphasis is on the overall health and wellness of our members' lifestyles," said 2nd Lt. Eric Doggett, unit fitness program manager for the Air Force Reserve Command headquarters here. "Being physically fit paves the way for more rewards than a passing score, it promotes a more productive and energetic way of life."

About 75,800 Air Force reservists train on full and part-time duty - ready for immediate tasking from higher headquarters. Since Sept. 11, 2001, about one in four Air Force reservists has been called up at some point. About 6,000 Air Force reservists are currently mobilized—on full-time, active-duty status by order of the president.

"Air Force reservists play an integral role in our national defense and are vital to the effectiveness of our military in combat," said Maj. Richard Watson, commander of the 951st Reserve Support Squadron at the head-quarters. "Having our people physically fit not only helps that individual stay healthy, but it also ensures the Air Force Reserve Command mission is a success."

Earlier in February, key staff members of Air Force Reserve Command headquarters were tested under the new standards to set the pace for the command.

"In a climate with a high operations tempo, we just need to be better fit," said Major Watson. "The senior leadership provided us a good opportunity to see how the new fitness test works."

302nd Airlift Wing senior leadership will kick off the fitness testing with a challenge between commanders and chief master sergeants on May 2.

Col. Richard R. Moss expects the challenge to be fun, but said there is a reason he issued the challenge.

"This is to show the rest of the wing the leadership will set the example," he said. "This will be fun and hopefully get people thinking about starting a fitness program."

Tech. Sgt. Gregory Sprong, 302nd Services Flight, said units can begin testing as soon as fitness monitors become certified and hopefully the testing will begin by June.

"If they're certified they can feel free to go

ahead and test on their own," he said. "Colonel Moss, he would like to have everyone tested by September."

Airmen from all Air Force components are expected to meet the new physical fitness program standards. People who score above 90 percent are considered in excellent health. A total score of 75 to 89.99 is good; 70 to 74.99 is marginal; and less than 70 is poor.

New Air Force charts provide the scoring, broken down by age and gender. Beginning with "under age 25," the charts go up every five years for both men and women, grouping themat 25-29, 30-34 and soon. As an Airman's age progresses, the number of push-ups and crunches required for a 100 percent score goes down and more time is allowed for the run. However, the waist measurement standard remains constant, no matter what the Airman's age.

"Abdominal circumference is the only chart that doesn't allow for age," said Lieutenant Doggett. "For men, a top score of 30 points means a measurement of less than 32.5 inches, whether you're 18 years old or 55. For women, it's 29.5 inches."

For more information on the new fitness program log onto https://www.mil.afrc.af.mil/hq/sg/FitnessProgram/PhysicalFitness.htm (AFRC News Service)

See Pg. 12 for more information regarding this unit's physical fitness challenge.

Officials discuss new civilian system in open letter

By Jim Garamone

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON(AFPN)—A

letter signed by Defense Department leaders asks DOD civilian employees to be patient as teams work to make the new National Security Personnel System a reality.

The April 1 letter, signed by David S.C. Chu, undersecretary for personnel and readiness, and Navy Secretary Gordon England, stresses that DOD sees the new personnel system as a combined effort.

The system, passed as part of the fiscal 2004 National Defense Authorization Act, allows DOD officials to transform the civilian personnel system to make it more agile and responsive.

Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld said the new system would make it easier for the department to make new hires and keep highly skilled employees. It also would allow DOD to move workers to shortage specialties as national security concerns change, he said.

In the letter, Mr. Chu and Secretary England state, "We are

determined to take the time necessary to do the job right."

Taking time will allow the department to consult with employees, managers and unions, a DOD spokeswoman said. The letter encourages people interested in the system to present their thoughts, ideas, views and concerns.

Department officials are also working with other government agencies as they develop the new system. They are consulting with people at the Office of Personnel Management, the Office of Management and Budget and the

Government Accounting Office as the new system takes shape. They are also taking lessons from the Department of Homeland Security, which built its own personnel system after it was formed last year.

Five teams within DOD are looking at process, personnel, programs, requirements and communications, officials said. A sixth team will draw recommendations from these five together in one package. That proposal is scheduled to be presented to Secretary Rumsfeld and other senior lead-

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ATSO demands knowledge of alarm signals

By Tech. Sgt. David D. Morton Front Range Flyer

Ability to survive and operate in chemical environment exercises are scheduled for October and the wing's readiness section is emphasizing knowledge of the Air Force Standardized Attack Warning signals for medium and high threat areas.

"There are four standardized warning signals personnel should be aware of and the differences between each of them," said Senior Master Sgt. Lynn Vorce, chief of the 302nd Airlift Wing Readiness Flight. "Alarm conditions

can be applied to entire installations or just certain sectors of the base. Personnel need to be aware of their surroundings, what sector of the installation they're in or moving to and the alarm condition for each sector on the installation."

Alarm condition green indicates an attack is not probable and personnel can maintain normal daily operations without donning any protective gear. MOPP level conditions can change at the discretion of the commander as threat levels change.

Alarm condition yellow signifies an attack

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"In this condition personnel need to stop what they're doing, cover unprotected assets and move vehicles to protective areas with overhead cover," said Sergeant Vorce. "Tactical ballistic missiles can be employed as a means of delivering air attacks in the theater of operations, and personnel need to seek overhead cover. We want to take precaution and protect people, but the chances of getting struck by lightning are greater than getting struck by a missile."

is probable and can happen within 30 minutes

be commended, his success may even be envied, but he ran out of the most significant commodity each one of us owns. It is more precious than gold or oil. The commodity is time: the time to enjoy life, the time to love and be loved by another and the time to share our success with those we deeply care for. Maybe that's why Moses pleaded with God to "teach us to live well! Teach us to live wisely and well." (Psalms 90:12, The Message). God wants us to succeed, but there is more to life than mere success. Don't neglect to ask God to give you practical wisdom to find joy and meaning in the journey.

Two different types of attacks can be initiated to indicate personnel need to be directed to alarm condition red. They are air and ground attacks.

"Aside from protecting themselves from the initial missile attack, personnel should cover themselves and stay in vehicles to provide protection from chemical fallout following air attacks," said Sergeant Vorce.

During ground attacks, personnel should immediately proceed to protective bunkers and protect their positions.

"Ground attacks are signified by incoming mortar rounds, rock-

ets or sniper fire and personnel should know what action to take upon hearing loud bugle calls or sirens sounding," said Sergeant Vorce.

"Personnel also need to focus on how large the attacking unit is, what type of attack was employed, locations and time, equipment used during the attack," said Sergeant Vorce. "This is known as the "SALUTE" report, and helps to identify certain characteristics and tactics employed by the enemy."

Condition black indicates an attack is over, but hazards are present from chemical contamination and unexploded ordinance.

Henry, cont. from Pg. 3

Henry's life changed abruptly; the long dream of gusher came in. As he stood back enjoying the view of the oil spurting to the sky, he lit a cigar. His celebration was cut short when suddenly a spark set the pooled oil on fire. Running from the inferno, he hurled his wallet to safety. Severely burned, as the fire violently raged, the drilling crew daringly dragged him to safety. While trying to dress Henry's massive burn, he regained consciousness long enough to insist upon dictating his last will and testament and then slipped away.

Henry's hard work came to

Clergy day is this month

Time is running out to sign up reserve members' clergy for the 302nd Airlift Wing's Clergy Day.

Clergy day is set for May 17 and includes an orientation

flight on a unit C-130, mission briefings, a tour of the base chapel and lunch at the Officers' club. For more information, contact the public affairs office at 556-4117.

Civilian, cont. from Pg. 5

ers in April.

Once approved, senior leaders will work with Congress on implementing the system.

Mr. Chu and Secretary England said that the system still is being formed, and few details about how the system would work are available because there

is no system yet. Concepts and proposals will change over time and department leaders will do their best to keep employees informed, they said.

Information will be available on the DOD and DefendAmerica Web sites, the Pentagon Channel and local commanders' television programs. The new system also has its own Web site.

Tragedy takes leader, leaves wing to mourn

Editor's note: Members of the 302nd Airlift Wing lost a leader and friend when Lt. Col. Scotty Carr drowned March 24. The following are thoughts from coworkers who honor his memory.

Chief Master Sgt. Eric Deylius 731st Airlift Squadron

...And the bells toll again But, they do not toll to signify the passing of time.

Instead, they toll to remind us of the times we had in passing, with someone very special.

Scotty touched a lot of us in his own special way.

The times that I have spent with him, I will always remember him as a teacher and a mentor.

He was a man of true character... a man truly devoted to his family and country.

Time is enduring...and so are the memories of the times we had together.

...And the bells toll again...

to signify the passing of those times.

Lt. Col. Luke Thompson

731st Airlift Squadron

Since [Scotty hired me] there have been many times I've been working in the office, wrapped around the axle about whatever the latest crisis was and about ready to jam my head through my computer screen. Then down the hall would come Scotty speaking one of his many foreign languages: "Haaallloooo my fend!!! Beaahlllly good today!!!" or some such nonsense and he'd be carrying his plastic gallon milk jug he always claimed was full of whiskey and he'd sit down and shoot the bull for awhile. I don't know if he was really crazy or if he was a psychologist but he sure knew how to make us laugh and relax.

But that was the essence of Scotty. He always took a bad situation and turned it into a

productive, rewarding, and fun deal.

Some of the best times of my life were flying with Scotty in the airplane fighting fires. He had the unique ability to take it seriously when needed yet be absolutely hilarious when the time allowed. It was that humor that gave us all the relief we needed from doing a stressful job.

Maj James R Steward

731st Aiflit Squadron

I know for many of us in the 302nd, when we think of Scotty Carr, we think of all the great experiences we shared and all the things he taught us about being a leader and living a responsible life. I don't think he ever knew he was teaching us but that's what makes great leaders what they are. We have all endured a tremendous loss by losing Scotty and I can't help feeling a little dazed and disoriented. Scotty was a mentor to me.

We'll miss you Scotty. Thanks for all the wonderful memories and teachings.

Lt. Col. Tom Schmitt

731st Airlift Squadron

I only knew Scotty for two years and only on a professional basis, but I realized early on that he was one of those special people who helped define the 302nd Airlift Wing and the 731st Airlift Squadron. He was a consummate pro when it came to flying the Herk. We flew together in the 15-Ship Homecoming to celebrate our demobilization in October 2002—what a thrill! As the deputy ops group commander, Scotty spent a lot of time helping this newly transplanted ops officer learn the folks and



Lt. Col. Scotty Carr was a mentor to many members in the 731st Airlift Squadron, his teachings will not be forgotten.

the ropes. His advice and insights were invaluable and I will always remember them. The last time I saw Scotty, I was asking for more advice—this time about [a mission] I was about to fly for the first time. As usual, Scotty provided just the right information I needed to conduct a successful mission, including how to avoid jail time in Tijuana. I was blessed to have known and worked with Scotty, even for such a short time. He was a huge asset to all of us in this wing and he will be sorely missed—but he will never be forgotten!

Chief Master Sgt. Jim Riley 731st Airlift Squadron

I use the knowledge, wisdom and pragmatism that Scotty helped to instill in me. I'm indebted to him for his gifts and I'll always be grateful to have known him. A genuine nice, quick-witted, funny and truly sincere man, Scotty leaves a space that echoes with his friendship, love, camaraderie and laughter.



Chief Master Sgt. Eric Deylius, left, enjoys a moment with his mentor Lt. Col. Scotty Carr.

Space units continue to strive for excellence at GC '04

By Maj. Jason Parker 310th Space Group

From bombing the 3rd Reich to launching revolutionary new satellites the 310th Space Group has proven itself to be an invaluable resource to the nation. In keeping with its long heritage of excellence, the 310th SG will once again be sending teams to the Air Force Space Command Guardian Challenge competition, May 2-7, at Vandenberg Air Force Base.

Teams from the 6th Space Operations Squadron, 7th SOPS and the 310th Security Forces Squadron will represent the group as they compete against space and security forces units from across the nation, to include Schriever AFB. Although the Aldridge Trophy for the best Space Wing is out of reach due to GC regulations, the 310th SG teams will vie to distinguish themselves as the "Best Space Operations Crew" and "Best Security Forces Team" and return with respective functional area trophies.

Both 6th and 7th SOPS have been undergoing intense training and are ready to go

head to head with their active duty counterparts. From late nights in the emulators to brushing up on the basics, the teams have been honing their skills in preparation for defending their respective units' honor and bringing home the "Best Space **Operations**

Crew" trophy.

The space operations teams from the 310th SG and the 50th Space Wing competed at Schriever in early April, but the results will not be made public until the awards banquet at Vandenberg on May 6th. Evaluators from the 14th AF were at Schriever to oversee the competitions and ensure that all of the training and evaluations are legitimate and fair. Evaluators from the 310th SG and 50th SW conducted the actual GC evaluations.

The 310th SFS has been chomping at the bit to start training for GC and have now done so. From utilizing the brand new obstacle course on base to coming up with some creative exercises, the 310th SFS is definitely on track to bring home the "Best Security Forces Team" trophy.

The 310th SG has a rich history with many successes like perfecting the "bomb skipping" technique used in WWII and working with the development programs for the Minuteman III and Peacekeeper intercontinental ballistic missile weapon systems. Headquartered at Schriever, the 310th SG holds the distinction of the first Reserve unit assigned to AFSPC.

Originally the group stood up in 1997 and was assigned oversight duties for 7th SOPS, 6th SOPS and security forces squadrons. Now its oversight spans nine units stationed at Schriever, Buckley, Peterson and Vandenberg. These nine units consist of the 8th Space Warning Squadron, 9th SOPS, 14th Test Squadron, 19th SOPS, 26th Space Aggression Squadron, 310th Communications Flight and the previously mentioned units.

Students shadow reservists to better make informed decisions

By Staff Sgt. Jennifer Thibault *Front Range Flyer*

High School students from a local Colorado Springs School boarded their yellow bus to venture into a new learning environment in April.

The students were on a field trip headed to the 302nd Airlift Wing to be paired up with reservists from a variety of duty positions.

Approximately 15 reservists volunteered to showcase their specialties during the day to these possible recruits.

The students viewed one of the wing's C-130s as well as visiting the volunteers work centers to learn more about their specific role in the Air Force Reserve Command.

The job shadow day volun-

teers worked hard to help the students make informed decisions about their future careers and what they need to do now to meet those goals.

Thanks to all of the wing members who volunteered their time to support the worthy event!

Two students poll Tech. Sgt. Sharon Rice about her experiences as a member of the Air Force R e s e r v e Command.





Changing our culture isn't easy, but making a tough call doesn't stop it from being the right call. With that in mind, and in accordance with AFI 40-102, *Tobacco Use In The Air Force*, Peterson Air Force Base has stepped up to the task of strictly enforcing the current tobacco free installation policy. This is not a new policy or a change to the base tobacco use policy, but rather an issue of enforcement.

Magazine covers

The April 2004 issue of Citizen Airman, official magazine of the Air Force Reserve is available online at http://www.afrc.af.mil/HQ/citamn/.

Helping Hands: Air Force medical specialists involved in humanitarian missions around the world treat thousands of patients every year.

Missions of Mercy: A typical day for members of the 791st Expeditionary Air Evacuation Squadron.

Bridging the Gap: NCO Leadership Development program.

Speech announcement

Pikes Peak Community College is offering Principles of Speech, SPE115 to all 302nd Airlift Wing personnel, spouses, dependents, civilian employees and active duty military starting in July. The course, which satisfies the Community College of the Air Force requirement, will be held in Bldg. 895, Rm. 204 on Friday evening before UTAs and Saturday evening of the UTA. The dates will be July 9-10, Au-

gust 6-7 and September 10-11.

To apply, prospective students need to register and submit an application form to the PPCC office or wing training office. A placement test is needed unless the student has taken English Composition or a minimum or three classes which require written essays, such as, history, sociology or psychology.

The cost of the course is \$225, which is 100 percent reimbursable by tuition assistance.

For more information contact the wing training office at 556-7573 or contact Pikes Peak Community College directly.

No-show no more

If a lodging reservation is established and not cancelled by 6 p.m. on the arrival day, it is considered a no-show. Inactive duty training status reservations are guaranteed and paid for by the wing's lodging GPC if not cancelled by the cut off time.

It is a member's responsibility to contact and cancel their reservation. Two unexcused noshows within a 12-month period will result in the suspension of lodging privileges. This means that the wing will not pay for the member's UTA lodging for the nest three consecutive months. If the member obtains UTA lodging during this period, it will be at his or her own expense and is not reimbursable.

For more information, contact Master Sgt. Terry Brassard at 1-800-446-9624(*864001#), or 556-4001. If not answered, please leave name and the days needed to be canceled.

Political activity

With this being an election year, here's a reminder of what DoD employees may not do.

Use official authority or title to influence, interfere with or affect the result of an election, including use of title while engaging in political activities or to coerce others to engage in political activity;

Solicit, accept or receive political contributions, uncompensated volunteer services from subordinates or use official title in connection with political fundraising;

Run for nomination or election to office in a partisan election;

Solicit or discourage political activity by others who are doing business with or are regulated by DoD;

Engage in any political activity, including wearing political buttons, while on duty, while in government facilities, while using a government vehicle or while wearing a uniform or other indication of government status or official position.

For more information, call Lt. Col. Rodney Winn at 556-8140.

Policy training location

The Homosexual Policy Training, required for all squadron personnel who have been appointed as a supervisor, first sergeant or commander within the past 60 days, has moved its training location to Bldg. 890, squadron conference room on the second floor. The training is conducted every UTA on Sundays at 10 a.m.

Sports day

This year's annual sports day is scheduled for June 9. All individuals, military and civilian, assigned to Peterson Air Force Base are encouraged to attend.

Look for more information regarding events in future issues of the *Front Range Flyer*.

TSP open season

Civilian and military employees can sign up for, or change, their Thrift Savings Plan contribution amounts during the 'open season' Apr. 15 - June 30. "TSP is a long-term retirement savings plan, which everyone should consider," said Senior Master Sgt. Felipe Ortiz, superintendent of the contact center here. "It's a great supplement to military and civilian retirement plans.

"It's also important to note that TSP is not limited to investing in stocks," said Sergeant Ortiz. "People can choose safer government securities as well."

This open season applies only to regular TSP contributions. It does not include TSP catch-up contributions, as they are not tied to open seasons, according to Janet Thomas, of AFPC's civilian benefits and entitlements service team.

TSP offers investors the chance for lower taxes each year they contribute while not having to pay taxes on earnings until they reach retirement.

More information about the Thrift Savings Plan can be found in the booklet "Summary of the Thrift Savings Plan" on the TSP home page, www.tsp.gov under civilian or uniformed services TSP Forms and Publications.



Bikes ahead

With Spring arriving, it's fitting that May is Bicycle Safety Month. To help reservists prepare themselves and their children for the bike rides that are soon to come, the 302nd Airlift Wing Safety Office has ordered some "Bicycle Safety" work books. The work books are available for pick up in members' respective orderly rooms; however, if they should run out contact the safety office in Bldg. 895, Rm. 104.

Unit Training Assembly Schedule May 1-2

SATUR	0530 - 1000 0600 - 0730 0730 - 1100 0730 - 0900 0730 - 1630 0730 - 1600 0800 - 1200 0900 - 1000 1000 - 1045 1000 - 1045	Brunch "Jump Start" Fellowship Newcomers Orientation No Meeting Period Physical Exams MPF Hours Self Aide Buddy Care Initial Unit Training Manager Mt Safety Rep Meeting Wing Training Planning Military Clothing Sales Wing Training Planning	Aragon Dining Facility Sandy's Restaurant Bldg 893 Conf Room All Locations Clinic Bldg 895 Room 219A Bldg 350 Room 2127 Bldg 895 Room 203 Bldg 350 Room 1052 Bldg 895 Room 203 Bldg 895 Room 203 Bldg 1466 Bldg 895 Rm 203	SVF/6-4180 HC/6-7428 DPMSC/6-8185 CV/6-7087 ASTS/6-1132 DPMSC/6-8185 ASTS/6-1132 DPMT/6-7250 6-8163 CCX/6-0142 LSM/6- 3227 CCX/6-0142
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A	1100 – 1230	Lunch & A Lift	Aragon Colorado Room	HC/6-7428
Y	1200 – 1630 1215 – 1530	CWD Refresher CDC/PME Testing	Bldg 1324 2nd Floor Bldg 895 Room 203/204	CEX/6-7221 DPMT/6-7250
	1300 – 1630	Newcomers Ancillary Training	Bldg 893 Conference Room	DPMSC/6-8185
	1300 – 1600	Chaplain Available	Bldg 893 Room 143	HC/6-7428
	1300 – 1530	Self Aid Buddy Care	Bldg 350 Room 2127	ASTS/6-1132
	2000 2200	Refresher	Anana Dining Facility	CV/E/C 44.00
	2000 – 2300	Late Night Carry-out	Aragon Dining Facility	SVF/6-4180
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Welcome newcomers

Airman 1st Class Virginia M. Andelfinger Airman 1st Class Katrina R. Vigil

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Complete online survey, help spruce up Front Range Flyer

By Staff Sgt. Jennifer Thibault Front Range Flyer

Spring is the typical time to clean out garages and dust off bikes. With this momentum in mind, the 302nd Airlift Wing Public Affairs Office is looking for input to dust off the Front Range Flyer.

Unit reservists have the opportunity to help with this cleaning and to update the unit newspaper so that it continues to meet its readers' needs.

This year the PA office is using an auto-

mated, on-line survey software program to get this important input. The automated software program provides immediate feedback to the Front Range Flyer staff, allowing them to implement needed changes quickly.

The program was created by Air Force Public Affairs and allows for all Air Force members to grade their own unit newspaper in about 10 minutes.

To complete the survey, go to http:www.afnews.af.mil/internal/survey/ survey_index.htm. Select base and newspaper name and set up your user id. Then the

survey of about 40 questions begins. Members can stop part way through the survey, click a button on the top and "SUBMIT" on the bottom and return to it later. If done in this manner, participants don't have to start over, they can resume where they stopped.

All who can are encouraged to participate to help make the Front Range Flyer the best it can be. For those without internet access or who prefer, paper surveys will be available through the PA office, Bldg. 893, Rm. 138. For more information, please call the PA staff at 556-4117.

Birthday message from USAFE CC

By Gen. Robert H. "Doc" **Foglesong**

Commander of United States Air Forces in Europe

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Germany-The men and women of USAFE join me in congratulating the United States Air Force Reserve as it celebrates its 56th year of distinguished service to our nation. Air Force reservists have been an integral part of America's national defense since the Air Force Reserve's inception on April 14, 1948.

Today more than ever,

Citizen Airmen continue that proud tradition of defending the United States against its enemies.

We salute all Air Force Reserve Command professionals as we together overcome the arduous task before us. It's through our continued partnership in operations like Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom that we can achieve success.

During peace and in war, we're proud to share your warrior spirit, patriotism and dedication to God and country. (AFRC News Service)

Vote today, shape tomorrow

Maj. James Travis 302nd Airlift Wing voting assistance officer

The Department of Defense's slogan for year's Voting Assistance Campaign is Today's vote equals tomorrow's future!

As the 2000 Presidential Election Campaign showed, every vote does indeed count. Whether at home or deployed to an overseas location, every wing member has the opportunity to exercise the right to vote.

Anyone interested in registering and resides in Colorado, Texas or New Mexico, can do so by visiting the following sites: Colorado Link—http:// www.fvap.gov/pubs/vag/ pdfvag/co.pdf,

New Mexico Link—http:// www.fvap.gov/pubs/vag/ textvag/nm.txt or Texas Linkhttp://www.fvap.gov/pubs/ vag/textvag/tx.txt. All other state's residents should go to http://www.fvap.gov/pubs/ vag/vagchapter3.html and click on their respective state.

For more information, call the unit voting rep or Maj. Jim Travis at either 556-6235, 310-8237 or via e-mail at james.travis@ 302.peterson.af.mil.

Maintenance keglers notch three-peat

By Tech. Sgt. Tim Taylor Front Range Flyer

It's beginning to sound like a broken record, but the 302nd Maintenance Squadron doesn't seem to mind the redundancy. For the third consecutive year, maintenance has captured the annual Mission Support Group Bowling Tournament top spot.

About the only difference this time around is the fact the team had to wait a month to officially boast another title. Due to the number of teams entered this year, services

bowled later in the March 6 date the youth Thunder Bowl event held at the Peterson Air night activities. Force Base Bowling Center. Services post-According to Greg Sprong, poned its final two services team member and games until April tournament coordinator, the Serteam's second vices needed a small miracle if it were to pull off an upset for maintenance. No such luck, thus giving the defending champs a game was interrupted when the victory over the runner-up bowling center's alley lights 302nd Airlift Wing #1 team. were turned down to accommo-The wing team placed second

last year as well. Maintenance, which consisted of Mike Sanchez, Rob Tate, Dennis Martin, Jeff Wendling and Stan Palmer, rolled a 2,684 series. 302nd AW #1 scored 2,552 and placing third was 39th Aerial Port Squadron, Up Your Alley, with a 2,456 series.

Maintenance won the title over the wing by 233 pins in 2003

The tournament raised \$990, according to Sprong. The money will go into support funds, most of which will be used to help MSG members in need of financial assistance.

Challenge will kick off wing fitness testing

By Tech. Sgt. Tim Taylor Front Range Flyer

The emphasis of the Air Force's new fitness standards may be focusing on members' health and wellness, but that doesn't mean the 302nd Airlift Wing can't have a little fun with it as well. Besides, here at the 302nd, the commanders need to find something they are better at than the chief massergeants.

Hence the latest challenge placed before the chiefs by none other than the wing commander himself.
On May 2, several of the commanders and chiefs will clash in a battle for fitness supremacy.

Col. Richard R. Moss, 302nd AW commander, said the challenge will be an opportunity for the leadership to set the example, but he also expects it to be fun.

"Of course, as the wing commander, I

establish policy," he commented. "I will carefully review the final results before I release them. I am confident the commanders will win."

"It's an open challenge," said Command Chief Bobby Smith with his typical

Cheshire cat grin, the one he wears whenever the commanders place a challenge before the chiefs. "I already know some chiefs who won't be participating and there will be some commanders who won't participate."

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new fitness testing standards. Each combatant will "attempt" to complete the required 1-½ mile run as well as pushups, crunches and an abdominal circumference measurement.

With all due respect to wing leadership, the E-9s have had the upper echelon's number. Wait! There was that one softball game...

Keep eyes and ears open for the actual times of the challenge. The outcome will be posted in the June edition of the *Front Range Flyer*.

Any other units who are jump starting their physical fitness assessments are encouraged to contact the 302nd Airlift Wing Public Affairs Office at 556-4117.

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